



# Update Newsletter

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**ROCHESTER**  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
Our Mission: Advance and promote the prosperity of its members and enhance the quality of life in the greater Rochester area

March 2025

## *The Chamber is Seeking Nominations for these Prestigious Awards*



Nominate your Business or Organization for Business of the Year and Nonprofit of the Year! The Chamber is currently accepting nominations for 2025.

The **Business of the Year** award recognizes a member business in good standing that has demonstrated excellence in their business and has made substantial contributions to its industry and the Rochester area.

The **Nonprofit of the Year** award recognizes an organization that has made a sustainable impact in the Rochester area.

Nominate a deserving individual for **Citizen of the Year**! The Chamber is also accepting nominations for its 2025 Citizen of the Year award, which recognizes an individual that resides in Rochester/ Northern Strafford County, who has demonstrated excellent leadership and citizenship in the community and has made substantial contributions to the betterment of the community. You are encouraged to nominate someone you know that meets these criteria.

Nominate a deserving individual for **Educator of the Year**! The Educator of the Year award recognizes a local education professional who employs innovative education strategies, demonstrates on-going leadership and cooperation, and makes a lasting impact on their community and students. Educator of the Year nominations can be submitted by students, parents, colleagues, or community members.

This prestigious awards will be presented at the Chamber's **Annual Awards Celebration** on **May 21, 2025** at The Oaks Grandview.

**The deadline for submitting nominations for these awards is March 10, 2025.**

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PRESENTED BY: *More Details Coming Soon*

### DEMYSTIFYING AI

A 3-PART BREAKFAST SERIES:  
March 20 / March 27 / April 2  
8:00—9:30am  
**SAVE THE DATES!**

Become a  
**2025  
Scholarship  
Champion!**

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## 2025 BUSINESS SHOWCASE

James W. Foley Memorial Community Center  
150 Wakefield Street  
Rochester, NH  
 603-332-5080

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# Membership Benefits

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## Put Your Business in the Spotlight Advertising Opportunities in 2025

### Member Eblast Rates:

**\$150/month; 3 months for \$375; 6 months for \$600**

**\$75/month for nonprofits**

### Newsletter Inserts:

**\$150/month; \$75 for nonprofit**

**Newsletter Ad: (2"x3.6") \$ 75.00**

**Enhanced Web Listing: \$100/year**

**Scholarship Champion: \$100, \$500, or \$1,000**

## Offer a Member-to-Member Deal

As a Chamber Member, you can offer and receive special deals, designed just for Chamber Members, such as a percentage off your company's services or products, a free service or product, a BOGO deal, you name it!

Set up your Member-To-Member Deal (s) through your Member Portal anytime; Chamber staff will review and approve it and contact you if they have any questions.

Want to see what deals are available? Member-To-Member Deals are found on the Chamber website under "News & Discounts" - remember to check regularly for new deals!

## Reach More Members: Promotional Eblasts

Advertise your promotions, new products, services, or workshop directly to all Chamber members with the Chamber's **Membership Promotion E-Blast** service! This benefit offers members more timely information to fellow Chamber members as well as savings on the cost of producing flyers.

Membership Promotion E-blasts are sent twice per month. Discounts available for 3, 6 and 12 month promotions.

Contact us at (603) 332-5080  
or email: [memberservices@rochesternh.org](mailto:memberservices@rochesternh.org)!

### Did You Know?

*By serving on a committee you can:*

- \* Expand your contact base and forge relationships
- \* Promote your business or organization
- \* Learn new things
- \* Have a connection to your community
- \* Help foster a healthy economic climate to help your community grow and thrive.

**Be part of the bigger picture—  
explore Chamber committees today!**  
[rochesternh.org](http://rochesternh.org)

## Have Job Openings?

### Post your Job Vacancies on the Chamber's Website at No Charge!

Simply **log in** to your Member Portal and select **Job Postings** on the left side! The Chamber's website receives thousands of visits each month.

If you have job vacancies to fill, post them!

Visit [www.rochesternh.org/Jobs](http://www.rochesternh.org/Jobs) to see a current list of job postings. For assistance logging in, call 603.332.5080.

## Log in to Your Secure Member Portal

Did you know that a benefit of your Chamber membership includes the ability to [log in to your Member Portal](#) where you can submit your business' events, news releases, post job openings, download & print event flyers and more!

- Submit news releases events for added promotion
- Post job openings
- Download event flyers
- Search/contact members
- Register for events
- Pay bills online
- Access resources

Don't have a portal yet? Email us at [memberservices@rochesternh.org](mailto:memberservices@rochesternh.org) to get started.

### CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

**Thursday, March 13, 2025  
4:00-5:00pm**

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Designed for new and seasoned members, to learn about getting the most out of Chamber membership.  
Considering a membership? Then Chamber 101 is for you, too!

**Chamber  
101**

[www.rochesternh.org](http://www.rochesternh.org)



### MEMBERS:

**BRING IN YOUR  
BROCHURES AND  
BUSINESS CARDS  
TO DISPLAY AT  
THE CHAMBER!**





# Upcoming Chamber Events

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**BUSINESS**  
*after*  
**hours**

Hosted By



**TUESDAY, MARCH 18**  
**5:30—7:00PM**

Located in Barclay Square Industrial Park,  
350 NH-108, Suite 208 in Somersworth

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

*Derby Dinner*  
"Celebrating Our Community Champions"

Underwritten By  
**MVSB**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 21**  
**5:30—9:00PM**



The Oaks Grandview  
100 Hide-Away Place, Somersworth

RSVP by May 16, 2025: **\$90 pp**  
[rochesternh.org/awardscelebration](https://rochesternh.org/awardscelebration)

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**\$25 Per Program**  
**or \$60 for all 3**

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce presents...

## Classical Greece

November 9 – 19, 2025



Book Now  
& Save  
**\$50**  
Per Person

[Upgrade to Elite Airfare! See inside for details.](#)

### SPECIAL TRAVEL PRESENTATION

Date: Monday, March 31, 2025 Time: 6:00 PM  
Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce  
RSVP to Laura Ring: (603) 332-5080 [lring@rochesternh.org](mailto:lring@rochesternh.org)

## Informational Session

**Monday, March 31**  
**6:00pm**

Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce  
18 South Main Street, Rochester

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

Or for more information on the trip, contact  
Melinda at Horizon Travel at  
(603) 742-7664, or visit

<https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1256674>

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# Membership Update

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## Welcome New Members!

### TRAINING

#### **DALE CARNEGIE TRAINING**

*Deb Kaplan*  
Portsmouth, NH  
603-460-5282

[linkedin.com/in/debrakaplan](https://www.linkedin.com/in/debrakaplan)

### BEAUTY SALONS

#### **DIVINE GLOW**

*Danielle Hobbs*  
60 Rochester Hill Road, #6  
Rochester, NH  
207-337-2406

<https://divine-glow-330897.square.site>

### **BE A SCHOLARSHIP CHAMPION**

Each year, the Chamber seeks donations for our scholarship program to help graduating seniors offset post-secondary education expenses. Please consider supporting this program to invest in our youth.

Scholarship Champions will be promoted on the chamber website, in social media, in the newsletter, in a press release, in an eblast, in the scholarship award letter, and at the awards ceremony. Many donation levels are available.



[CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD THE SIGN-UP FORM](#)



## **2025 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE!**

The Chamber is pleased to be providing Scholarship(s) to eligible high school students! Applicants must be graduating high school seniors who are employed by, or have a parent employed by a company that is a member of the Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce.

The scholarship will be paid directly to the attending institution in the student's second year at a full-time college, university, technical, or trade school.

**Application deadline is Friday, March 28, 2025**

See the attached scholarship application and guidelines or

[CLICK HERE](#)

## Member Renewals

The Board of Directors and Staff wish to thank the Members listed for renewing their Chamber investments!



Admiral Climate Control  
Allstar Electric, Inc.  
Andrew J. Foss. Inc.  
Bank of New Hampshire  
Breezeline  
City of Rochester  
Club Victoire  
COAST  
Community Partners  
Cross Insurance  
Garry Perkins Concrete of Rochester  
Grondin Funeral Home  
Harley-Davidson Shop of Rochester  
HeartBeep Marketing NH  
Hope on Haven Hill  
Index Packaging  
Keslar Insurance Agency  
Lilac Property Management & Realty  
McDonald's Restaurant  
New Hampshire Farm Museum  
Norman Vetter, Inc.  
Norway Plains Associates  
Polychronis Financial Services  
RCB Construction Company  
Re/Max Home Connection  
Return to Roots Learning Community  
Rochester Country Club  
Rochester Housing Authority  
Rochester Toyota  
Runyon Kersteen Ouellette CPA's  
Spaulding Composites  
The Farmer's Kitchen  
The Oaks Golf  
True Marketing Communications  
Turner Liberty Insurance Agency  
Village Pizza of Rochester  
Yankee Electric & Co.



## WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS

At their November meeting, the board of directors elected four (4) new directors to the board beginning in January, 2025. We will highlight the new board members each month.

This month, we are pleased to welcome and introduce you to **Michael Scala of the City of Rochester.**



**Michael Scala is the Director of Economic Development for the City of Rochester, serving in this position for 5 years.**

**Prior to working for the City, Mike was employed for several years at the Coos Economic Development Corp. and previously served as a Special Assistant to former U.S. Senator Kelly Ayotte for several years. Mike's background also includes owning and operating six restaurants.**

**In addition to serving on the Chamber board of directors, Mike serves on the board of directors for COAST, the NH Housing & Finance Administration, and the NH Small Business Development Center.**

**Mike brings 20 years of business and financial knowledge, and federal government experience. He received a BA and MBA from the University of New Hampshire.**

**Mike resides in Rochester.**

**Michael Scala, CEcD  
Director of Economic  
Development  
City of Rochester**

31 Wakefield Street  
Rochester, NH

603-335-7522  
[michael.scala@rochesternh.gov](mailto:michael.scala@rochesternh.gov)  
<https://rochesteredc.com>

## Ambassadors Corner

The Ambassador Program is Sponsored By



### We Are Pleased To Announce Our 2025 Chamber Ambassadors!

**Kristen Bournival**  
Raiche & Company CPAs

**Alan Brown**  
Newburyport Bank

**Tammie Cilley**  
First Seacoast Bank

**Mary Henderson**  
Bank of New Hampshire

**Melissa Lesniak**  
Lesniak Home Team—Keller Williams

**Amanda Mitchell**  
M&T Bank

**Heather Vasquez**  
Runyon Kersteen Ouellette

**Wanda Walker**  
Profile Bank

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Chamber Ambassadors are Chamber members who volunteer their time to assist the Chamber with membership retention efforts and in exchange receive an elevated member experience that offers more opportunities to network and more visibility for their business.

Thank you, Ambassadors!



**Any Eventz LLC & Party Supplies** will be hosting their first **Easter egg hunt** at their store on **Saturday April 12th** from 11-2. The easter bunny will also be here for free pictures. Call 603-350-4141 or visit: <http://anyeventztransportation.com>.

**Bank of New Hampshire** invites you to elevate your earnings with a CD Special at BNH—Open online now or schedule an appointment. Please visit their [website](#) or call 800.832.0912.

**Catapult Seacoast**—Catapult Seacoast is a community networking group for young professionals who live and/or work in the Seacoast area. Catapult events are an excellent way to meet local business leaders, build relationships with other local young professionals, and leverage opportunities to increase both your personal and professional networks through social and educational activities. Visit [catapultseacoast.org](http://catapultseacoast.org).

**Children's Museum of NH Upcoming Events:**

**Member Only Monday—Monday, March 3, 9-11am**

**Wonder & Wellness Speaker Series—Thursday, March 13, 5-6:30pm**

**Alastair Mook Family Concert—Saturday, March 15 at 10am**

**Grown-up Play Date: Paint Night with Live Animals—March 28, 7-9pm**

Visit [www.childrens-museumnh.org](http://www.childrens-museumnh.org)

**Cinco's Cantina** will donate 20 percent of all sales from all three locations to these non profit organizations:

March 11—HAVEN

March 18—Marshwood Little Hawks

March 25—Rochester Opera House

For information, visit [www.cincoscantina.com](http://www.cincoscantina.com).

**COAST** is partnering with **Cross Insurance** to kick off its new **"Fare Free Saturday"** initiative. The "Fare Free Saturday" sponsorship program is designed to give local businesses a way to support the nonprofit transit operator while encouraging Seacoast residents to take advantage of the services COAST provides. For information, visit [www.coastbus.org](http://www.coastbus.org).

**Colliers**, a global leader in commercial real estate services, is pleased to announce that they have been recognized as the **Best Commercial Real Estate Broker** and **Best Commercial Property Management firm** in **NH Business Review's 2025 Best of Business (BOB) Awards**. Colliers will be celebrating alongside fellow honorees at the 2025 BOB Awards Tailgate Party on March 13 at the Grappone Conference Center in Concord. Visit <https://www.colliers.com/en/united-states/cities/new-hampshire>

**Cornerstone VNA's** Home Care program has achieved a **5-star rating** for patient satisfaction by the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). The patient satisfaction survey is one of two ratings CMS shares on their Medicare Compare website that allows patients and families to research local home health providers based on quality and patient satisfaction ratings. Cornerstone VNA is one of five home health care agencies in the State of New Hampshire that has received a 5-star patient satisfaction rating. Visit [www.cornerstonevna.org](http://www.cornerstonevna.org).

**First Church Congregational** will present:

**Vendor Craft Fair** - Saturday, April 12, 9am-2pm

**Annual Yard Sale** - Saturday, May 3, 9am-1pm

Call 503-332-1121 or visit <http://first-ucc.net>

**Frisbie Memorial Hospital**, part of HCA Healthcare, announces the appointment of **Thomas Bowden** as chief executive officer. A healthcare executive with more than 10 years of experience, Bowden comes to Frisbie Memorial Hospital from Orlando Health, where he most recently served as president of Rockledge Hospital in Florida, a 298-bed hospital on Florida's east coast. Bowden had been with Steward Healthcare since 2014, holding numerous leadership roles prior to his appointment to CEO of Rockledge Hospital in January 2023, including chief administrative officer and chief operating officer. Visit [frisbiehospital.com](http://frisbiehospital.com).

**HAVEN will present:**

**April 4—KOABB** bringing 150 community members together to shine a light on HAVEN's prevention education programs and more. Meet the educators and learn about our work in schools to address trauma, dating violence, personal body safety, and how they help build resilience through age-appropriate, interactive, and research-based curricula.

**October 16—Changing Lives Gala** Visit [www.havennh.org](http://www.havennh.org)

**HeartBeep Marketing NH**—When you sign up for our CRM services, you'll receive a FREE professional business video production—designed to captivate your audience and elevate your brand. This is a limited-time opportunity to invest in both streamlined customer management and top-tier marketing content—all at no additional cost. Don't miss out—let's create something incredible together! Offer valid through May 31, 2025. Visit <https://business.rochesternh.org/list/member/heartbeep-marketing-nh-12779>.

**Hope on Haven Hill's** Annual 'Hope Springs Eternal' fundraising Gala on Saturday, March 15, 2025 at Wentworth by the Sea. The evening will feature elegant dining, stories of hope, and an opportunity to support Hope on Haven Hill's mission of supporting pregnant and parenting women in their recovery from substance use disorder. Visit [HopeonHavenHill.org](http://HopeonHavenHill.org).

**HRCU** is now accepting applications for the **2025 Annual Scholarship Program**. This year, we will be awarding 15 \$1,000 scholarships to local students. All you need to apply is: be an HRCU member for more than 6 months; current school transcript with grade point average; be accepted at or attending an accredited college, university, vocational, technical, or trade school as a full or part-time student. Deadline to apply is Wednesday, April 16, 2025. For information, visit [hrcu.org](http://hrcu.org).

**Leone, McDonnell & Roberts, PA** is pleased to welcome **Thomas Smail** and **Kimberly Thistlewood, CPA**. A staff accountant in the Dover office, Tom applies his knowledge and experience to a variety of audit engagements. A CPA in both NH and MA, **Kimberly** joins the firm as a Supervisor in the North Conway office. Visit [www.lmrpa.com](http://www.lmrpa.com).

**Life Balance Counseling, Coaching and Wellness** encourages you to **Prioritize Your Mental Health: Join Us at LifeBalance Counseling Coaching and Wellness!** Are you seeking compassionate and effective mental health support? LifeBalance Counseling Coaching and Wellness is here to help you navigate life's challenges and achieve emotional well-being. We offer services in-person at our Rochester and Hampstead, NH locations, as well as convenient telehealth options for remote care. Please call 603-332-8000 or visit our [website](#).

**Monarch School of NE** will host their Golf Tournament on May 22, 2025 at the Rochester Country Club. The tournament features fun contests, great prizes, and best of all, the chance to say hello to some of our incredible students along the course. Visit [monarchschoollne.org](http://monarchschoollne.org).

**Motolina Lodge #18 IOOF** is now offering scholarships to students who have a B C average. We are offering this to students who plan on attending either a 2 year college or a 4 year college. We are offering these to students attending: Spaulding, Coe-brown, Nute, and Farmington high schools. If you have a student or know a student attending any of these schools, they can contact their guidance office or email me at: [berube2@yahoo.com](mailto:berube2@yahoo.com)

**Rochester Opera House** — December 2024 events

January 24-Feb. 15—Musical Murder Mystery—Roch of Ages

March 7—Frank Santos, Jr.

March 8—Being Petty: The Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers Experience

March 9—Pure Prairie League; May 2-25—Annie

To buy tickets please call 603-335-1992, stop by Stage Door for tickets and more at 1 Wakefield St. Rochester, NH or visit the ROH [website](#).

**Rochester Recreation Department's Spring Guide** is now available.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the guide and see all the great things happening or call 603-332-4120.

**Rochester Rotary Club** presents **Dueling Pianos** an epic night of music and fun at the Rochester NH Rotary Club Dueling Piano Show! This in-person event is happening on **Saturday, March 1, 2025 at 8:00 PM** in Rochester, NH. Don't miss out on this fun-filled evening with friends and family. Doors open at 7:00 pm. All proceeds to benefit the Rochester Charities. See you there. For tickets, visit: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/rochester-nh-rotary-club-dueling-piano-show-tickets-1118150210379?aff=oddtcreator>

**Seacoast SCORE** offers free online business training on a variety of small business topics. Click to [register for the online workshops](#).

**Smitten Yarn Co.** has a bunch of new colors in for some of our most popular yarns. In addition, we now carry West Yorkshire Spinners Exquisite Lace and Berroco Ultra Alpaca Chunky. Even though they are opposites when it comes to thickness and gauge, both are super soft additions to our yarn options. Visit [www.smittenyarnco.com](http://www.smittenyarnco.com)

**Sole City Dance** **Sole City Dance** is excited to bring back our annual community dance showcase, **Dance Northeast!** This celebration includes shows at 2pm and 7pm on **March 15, 2025** at the Rochester Opera House. They will also offer **Dance Northeast! Master Classes** on March 16, 2025 at Sole City Dance. Visit [Sole City Dance](#).

**Vouchers for Veterans** invites you to participate in a tribute to our nation's heroes. **The Field of Honor** at the Rochester NH Common will feature 550 full-size American flags on 8-foot poles, creating a striking display of patriotism and remembrance. You can sponsor flags easily online at [vouchersforveterans.org/events](http://vouchersforveterans.org/events). Each dedicated flag costs \$40.00. Multiple flags dedicated by your company will be grouped together. For information visit [Vouchers for Veterans](#).

**Waste Management** — Two open positions in Rochester, NH: **CDL Truck Driver** [\$5,000 Sign on Bonus, Home Daily, PTO - Job #2322317] and **Residential Driver Apprentice** (No CDL Required - Job #2320376). Waste Management offers exceptional, unmatched benefits, and career advancement opportunities. Please visit [wm.com/careers](http://wm.com/careers) to apply.

**Waypoint** wants you to save the date for their SleepOut on March 21, 2025—Ending Youth Homelessness. SleepOut is a night spent outside to raise awareness and funds to address critical needs and transform lives in NH. Visit [www.waypointnh.org](http://www.waypointnh.org).



# What's Been Going On at the Chamber?

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**2025 Chair of the Board  
Caitlyn Turgeon  
HBL Insurance**



**Thanks and Recognition to  
2023-2024 Chair of the Board  
Kerrie Landry, Living Innovations**

Members met and networked with student members of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) at the R.W. Creteau Technology Center last month..



**Retiring Director Tim Jones,  
former Frisbie Memorial  
Hospital CEO thanks.**



**Retiring Director David Richard,  
D.F. Richard Energy thanks**



**Retiring Director Janet  
Oliver, Unitil thanks**



**Retiring Director David  
Stevens, Century 21**



**2024 Top Ambassador  
Mary Henderson  
Bank of New Hampshire**

*Celebrating*  
**COMMUNITY  
LEADERS**

[Click on each image to see each awards recipient's video](#)



**Studley Flower Gardens, Inc.**



**Rochester Museum  
of Fine Arts**



**Ron Goodwin  
Spaulding High School**



**Mary Henderson**



## 2025 Chamber Leadership

### Officers

Chairman of the Board:  
Caitlyn Turgeon  
HBL Insurance

Vice Chair, Governmental Affairs:  
Mark Farrell  
Laars Heating Systems

Vice Chair, Events & Fund Raisers:  
Mary Henderson  
Bank of New Hampshire

Vice Chair, Membership:  
Kendall Spewock  
Admiral Property Management & Sales

Treasurer:  
Tatjana Simon  
Lighthouse Credit Union

Immediate Past Chairman:  
Kerrie Landry  
Living Innovations

### Directors

Tammy Adams  
Great Bay Facility Maintenance, Inc.

Amy Brown  
Yankee Electric & Co.  
Brian Dickie  
Eversource

Lauren Jerr  
Spaulding High School

Joe Lassonde  
Hammond Lumber

Amy Lau  
Sig Sauer

Ellen Miller  
Frisbie Memorial Hospital

Kevin Miller  
Profile Bank

Dr. Deepa Reddy  
Deepa Reddy DMD, PLLC

Michael Scala  
City of Rochester  
Economic Development

Cheryl Thompson  
First Seacoast Bank

Laura Vrettos  
The Home Depot

Jolene Whitehead  
Meredith Village Savings Bank

Sue Willson  
Potter's House Bakery & Café

### Chamber Staff

Laura Ring  
President/CEO

Tanya Hervey  
Director of  
Events & Communications

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# March 2025 Chamber Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
						1	<b>UPCOMING EVENTS</b>
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	<b>APRIL 2</b> Demystifying AI Series 3
9	10	11	12	13 4:00 Chamber 101	14	15	<b>APRIL 8</b> BAH at Eastside Tavern
16	17	18 5:30 BAH at Earth Eagle Brewing	19 11:00 am LifeBalance Counseling ribbon cutting	20 8-9:30 am Demystifying AI Series 1 4:00 pm Ambassador's	21 8:00 am Government Affairs	22	<b>APRIL 24</b> BUSINESS SHOWCASE
23 30	24 5-7pm Legislative Reception 31 6:00 pm Greece Trip Info mtg	25	26	27 8-9:30 am Demystifying AI Series 2	28 7:30 am Board of Directors	29	<b>MAY 21</b> ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET  <b>AUGUST 15</b> CHAMBER RAFFLE
VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO REGISTER FOR EVENTS							





**TRI-CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE**

INVITE YOU TO

**LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION**

**MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025**  
**5:00-7:00 PM**



See Attached Flyer for Details



## Chamber 101



# March Session

Thursday, March 13, 2025

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In-Person or via Zoom

Register for Chamber 101 through your Member Portal, or by filling out this form and e-mailing it to: [memberservices@rochesternh.org](mailto:memberservices@rochesternh.org), or call the Chamber office: 603-332-5080

COMPANY NAME:

PRIMARY CONTACT:

E-MAIL:

ATTENDEE NAME(s):

ATTEND:     IN-PERSON     VIA ZOOM

Sign Me Up!

Contact the Chamber more information or to register:  
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E-mail: [memberservices@rochesternh.org](mailto:memberservices@rochesternh.org)



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**TUESDAY, MARCH 18**

**5:30-7:00pm**

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**Please join Earth Eagle Brewings  
as they host a Business After Hours**

With their brewery and restaurant, Earth Eagle Brewings offers a wide variety of craft beers made on site, an extensive food menu, and a full bar. Get a behind the scenes look at the brewing process with owner Alex McDonald while you sample some delicious craft brews.

**REGISTER:**  
**[rochesternh.org/marchbah](http://rochesternh.org/marchbah)**



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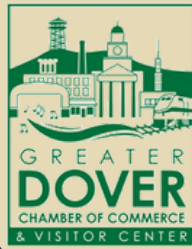
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**rochesternh.org/ai**

**\$25 Per Program**  
**or \$60 for all 3**

## TRI-CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE



# INVITE YOU TO **LEGISLATIVE** RECEPTION

**MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025  
5:00–7:00 PM**

HOSTED BY:

**BRÜCKNER  
GROUP USA**



50 LIGHTHOUSE DRIVE, DOVER, NH

**MEET ELECTED OFFICIALS FROM THE TRI-CITY REGION.  
COMPLIMENTARY BEVERAGES AND LIGHT HORS D'OEUVRES.**

UNDERWRITTEN BY:



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# 2025 BUSINESS SHOWCASE

Elevate your business with the ultimate opportunity to grow your brand, build connections, and reach new customers! Join local businesses displaying their products and services. Whether you're looking to increase visibility, network with industry leaders, or generate leads, this is the event for you! Register now and make your business the star of the showcase!



**Thursday**  
**APRIL 24**



**4:00 - 6:00pm**



**James W. Foley Memorial  
Community Center**  
150 Wakefield Street  
Rochester, NH



**603-332-5080**

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# 2025 BUSINESS SHOWCASE

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## THURSDAY, APRIL 24

3:00pm: Business-To-Business Networking  
4:00- 6:00pm: Open to the Public

James W. Foley Memorial Community Center, 150 Wakefield St., Rochester

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### 2025 BUSINESS SHOWCASE PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION

☐ Please sign my business up as a 2025 Business Showcase Participant @ \$100

Chamber provides a table, and participants are encouraged to bring their own branded tablecloth and branded swag items to hand out to attendees. Instructions and information will be provided to all participants prior to event day. All participants will be listed in the event program. **Participation is no charge for Corporate, Program, or Event Sponsors.**

**BUSINESS NAME:**

**INDUSTRY TYPE:**

**CONTACT NAME:**

**PHONE:**

**E-MAIL:**

☐ INVOICE ME

☐ PAYMENT ENCLOSED

*Please indicate your choice:*

Will You Need a Tablecloth?      Yes      No

Will You Need Electricity?      Yes      No

*(Electricity is limited and is not guaranteed—please plan accordingly)*

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### PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

**Is Your Company or Organization Interested in Promotion with a Sponsorship For This Event? Most sponsor levels include the Participant fee.**

☐ Yes, Please Send Me Info

☐ No, Not at This Time

☐ I would like to donate a door prize item to the event raffles  
*In exchange for your donation, your company or organization will receive promotion at the event during raffle drawing*

Item(s) Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Item(s) Value: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SEE REVERSE SIDE**

☐ **I will be doing prize raffle(s) of my own**  
(Conduct raffle(s) at your table and contact winners on your own after the event)

☐ **I am a restaurant that would like to showcase our food**  
(Chamber staff will contact you for details)

**ARE YOU HIRING?**

☐ **YES**

☐ **NO**

The Chamber will indicate in the event program given to attendees that you are hiring, plus we will place a "Hiring" sign on your table for you.

**BE A SHOWCASE STAR!**

Review the suggestions below for items to bring to the event that will help you get noticed!

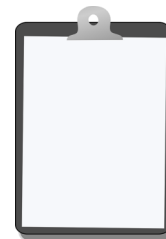
**SUGGESTED ITEMS TO BRING:**

- Branded tablecloth
- Banner (vertical, free-standing banners work well)
- Brochures / Flyers
- Business Cards
- Branded swag to hand out
- Raffle Items (if conducting raffles at your table):
  - ~ Prize(s)
  - ~ Sign for table, announcing your raffles
  - ~ Container to collect business cards/names



**IF YOUR COMPANY IS HIRING, BRING:**

- Application Forms / Clipboards / Pens
- Current / Future Job Openings
- Job Descriptions
- Contact person's business card



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**More information will be e-mailed to you prior to the event**

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**PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:**  
**E-Mail:** events@rochesternh.org **Fax:** 603-332-5216

**or**

**Register Online:**  
**rochesternh.org/showcase**

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## PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

**Sponsors of the 2025 Business Showcase will receive recognition on the following promotion; see the various levels below for any additional promotion:**

*Business logo or name on Chamber's website, in event e-blasts, in social media posts, in event programs for attendees, on event signage, on PowerPoint presentation, in the thank you flyer in May newsletter.*

**Please sign my business up as a sponsor as indicated below**

***Please Indicate Your Selection Below with a ✓***

- ☐ **CORPORATE SPONSOR \$1,000**  
All promotion listed above, PLUS prime table space at the event, logo displayed prominently on all promotion, logo on event flyer, business name recognized in press release.
- ☐ **PROGRAM SPONSOR \$600 \*Sole Sponsorship\***  
All promotion listed above, PLUS full page ad on the back of all event programs. Logo displayed on all promotion, plus table at event.
- ☐ **EVENT SPONSOR \$500**  
All promotion listed above. Logo displayed on all promotion, plus table at event.
- ☐ **TABLE SPONSOR \$200**  
All promotion listed above. Business name on all promotion.
- ☐ **PARTICIPANT \$100**  
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☐ **INVOICE ME**

☐ **PAYMENT ENCLOSED**

**BUSINESS NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-MAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ **I would like to donate a door prize item to the event raffles in exchange for Promotion** (Chamber staff will contact you for details if spaces below are left blank)

**ITEM(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**VALUE OF ITEM(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:**

**E-Mail: [events@rochesternh.org](mailto:events@rochesternh.org) / Fax: 603-332-5216**



# Derby Dinner

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***"Celebrating Our Community Champions"***

BUSINESS OF THE YEAR • NONPROFIT OF THE YEAR

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR • EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 21**

**5:30—9:00PM**

**The Oaks Grandview**

**100 Hide-Away Place, Somersworth**

**\$90 pp**



***Join the Chamber in celebrating the 2025 Award Recipients  
while dining and networking with other Chamber members and guests!***



***Wear Your Derby Hat or Bowtie!***



GREATER  
**ROCHESTER**  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

**RSVP by May 16, 2025:**

**[rochesternh.org/awardscelebration](http://rochesternh.org/awardscelebration)**



# NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

## SUBMIT YOUR BUSINESS FOR THIS PRESTIGIOUS AWARD!

### SUBMIT YOUR BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION FOR BUSINESS OF THE YEAR OR NON-PROFIT OF THE YEAR

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The Business of the Year award recognizes a Chamber member business in good standing that has demonstrated excellence in their business and has made substantial contributions to its industry and the Rochester area.

The Non-Profit of the Year award recognizes an organization that has made a sustainable impact in the Rochester community.

**DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS**  
**March 10, 2025**

### QUALIFICATIONS FOR BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

1. Business in an active company.
2. Demonstrates excellence in the business community and industry.
3. Participates in and provides support to the general benefit of the Chamber of Commerce, business community and greater Rochester area.
4. Contributes to the community, beyond business interests and Chamber of Commerce activities will be considered.
5. Business is member in good standing of the Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce.
6. Services need not be confined to a single year, but should be have current significance.
7. Prior winners are ineligible.
8. This award will not be given posthumously.

### NOMINATION PROCEDURES

Please complete and attach form as the nomination cover page along with a separate sheet detailing the explanation of distinguished activities for why the nomination is being submitted. Supporting documentation is required to support your nomination to include:

- \* Company/organization business description or mission.
- \* Impact/contributions to industry/community.
- \* Involvement in the community.
- \* Awards/honors received.
- \* 3 Letters of recommendation.
- \* Nominations without detailed information may not be considered.

If a candidate is not selected this year, the nomination will be automatically resubmitted for the next two years.

### **BUSINESS OF THE YEAR NOMINEE**

Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

# of Years in Business \_\_\_\_\_ # of Employees \_\_\_\_\_ # of Locations \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

### **NOMINATOR (SUBMITTING NOMINATION):**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Submit to:

Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce, 18 South Main St., Rochester, NH 03867

Email: [president@rochesternh.org](mailto:president@rochesternh.org)

**SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR NON-PROFIT OF THE YEAR NOMINATION**



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**DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS**  
**March 10, 2025**

### QUALIFICATIONS FOR NON-PROFIT OF THE YEAR

1. Non-profit in an active organization.
2. Demonstrates excellence in the community and in organization.
3. Has provided a significant impact to benefit of the Rochester community.
4. Organization is a member in good standing of Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce.
5. Services need not be confined to a single year, but should be recent enough to have current significance.
6. Prior winners are ineligible.
7. This award will not be given posthumously.

### NOMINATION PROCEDURES

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- \* Organization business description or mission.
- \* Impact/contributions to industry/community.
- \* 3 Letters of recommendation.
- \* Involvement in the community.
- \* Awards/honors received.
- \* Nominations without detailed information may not be considered.

If a candidate is not selected this year, the nomination will be automatically resubmitted for the next two years.

### NON-PROFIT OF THE YEAR NOMINEE

Organization Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
# of Years in Business \_\_\_\_\_ # of Employees \_\_\_\_\_ # of Volunteers \_\_\_\_\_ # of Locations \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

#### NOMINATOR (SUBMITTING NOMINATION):

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

#### Submit to:

Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce  
18 South Main St., Rochester, NH 03867  
Email: [president@rochesternh.org](mailto:president@rochesternh.org)

**SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR BUSINESS OF THE YEAR NOMINATION**



## DEADLINE TO SUBMIT NOMINATIONS:

**March 10, 2025**

The Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce is  
pleased to be presenting its **60th annual**

## **CITIZEN OF THE YEAR**

This prestigious award will be presented at the Chamber's  
Dinner & Awards Banquet. This award recognizes an  
individual who has demonstrated excellent leadership  
and citizenship in the community and has made  
substantial contributions to the betterment of the  
Greater Rochester area.

## **QUALIFICATIONS FOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR**

1. Adult resident of Rochester/northern Strafford County and activities should be in the same area..
2. Contributed to the general benefit of the community as a whole.
3. Demonstrates excellence in the community, for instance in civic affairs, church, PTA, etc.
4. Some activities performed should be over and above the normal duties of one's paid or salaried position; activities performed in the course of one's normal duties are also considered.
5. Services need not be confined to only current activities, but should be recent enough to have current significance.
6. Prior winners are ineligible.
7. Individuals nominated do not have to be members of the Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce or the business community. Individuals from all walks of life are encouraged.

## **NOMINATION PROCEDURES**

Complete the form and attach it as the nomination cover page along with a separate sheet detailing the explanation of distinguished activities for why the nomination is submitted.

Letters of recommendations are encouraged to accompany nomination.

Nominations without detailed information may not be considered.

If a candidate is not selected this year, the nomination will be automatically resubmitted for the next three years.

**All nominations are kept confidential. Please DO NOT notify this individual of the nomination.**

**We will contact you to contact others should your nomination be selected.**

## **PAST CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD RECIPIENTS**

1963 - Judge Leonard Hardwick	1983 - Jan Nelson	2004 - Charles G. Ward
1964 - Elery "Doc" Lyndes (Courier Publishing)	1984 - Bea Craig	2005 - Robert "Cider" Berry
1965 - Herve Lagasse	1985 - Victor Hamel	2006 - R. Bradley Trafton
1966 - Kenneth Denton (J. Zuromskis - Honored)	1986 - Mr. & Mrs. Harry Rose	2007 - Fred Hall, Jr.
1967 - Vi Bliskey	1987 - Bernice Bickford	2008 - Frank Callaghan
1968 - Dr. Albert Barcomb	1988 - Alfred Benton	2009 - Gerard "Gerry" Gilbert
1969 - James Foss (General Conrad Snow - Honored)	1989 - Cynthia Edgerly (Roger N. Allen - Honored)	2010 - Linda Gaskell Bisson
1970 - Albert Miltner	1990 - Vincent J. DeNobile	2011 - Ken Billings
1971 - Kennett R. Kendall, Sr.	1991 - Dorothy Callaghan	2012 - Kenn Ortmann
1972 - Joseph Zuromskis	1992 - Richard W. Creteau (Posthumously)	2013 - Gerard Gravel
1973 - Dr. Alexander Smith	1993 - Marilyn R. Berry	2014 - Gerald & Claire Bisailion
1974 - Roland Keans	1994 - Harvey Bernier	2015 - Jane Cooper Fall
1975 - Gerry Rainville	1995 - Roland Roberge (Posthumously)	2016 - Derek Peters
1976 - Mayor John Shaw (refused award)	1996 - Robert "Bob" Brown	2017 - Walter Hoerman, MD
1977 - Helen Berry	1997 - Daniel Lacroix	2018 - Hoagy Higgins
1978 - Judge Richard Cooper	1998 - Terry McGarghan	2019 - Patricia Rainboth
1979 - Arnold T. Clement	1999 - Kevin Flynn	2020 - Lisa Stanley
1980 - Bud Carlson	2000 - Marion Veno	2021 - Jeanne Grover and Alicia Frye
1981 - Elmer R. Waite	2001 - Janet Pelley	2022 - Kathleen H. Sessler
1982 - Fr. Donald Marsh	2002 - Steven B. Dore	2023 - Jackie Fitzpatrick
	2003 - John Rigazio	2024 - Mary Henderson

**SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR NOMINATION**





## CONFIDENTIAL NOMINATION OF THE 2025 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

### NOMINEE:

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### NOMINATOR (INDIVIDUAL OR ORGANIZATION SUBMITTING NOMINATION):

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### QUALIFICATIONS OF THE NOMINEE:

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### BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION OF NOMINEE:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Individual Submitting Nomination

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Nomination form and attached documentation must be submitted by **March 10, 2025** to:

**Awards Committee**  
Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce  
18 South Main Street, Rochester, NH 03867  
president@rochesternh.org  
Phone: (603) 332-5080 Fax: (603) 332-5216



# *Educator of the Year*

## SUBMIT A NOMINATION FOR EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

This prestigious award will be announced and presented at the Chamber's Annual Dinner & Awards Banquet.

The Educator of the Year award recognizes a local educator that has demonstrated excellence in their profession and has made substantial contributions to its students and community.

**DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS  
March 10, 2025**

# NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

## NOMINATE AN EDUCATOR FOR THIS PRESTIGIOUS AWARD!

### QUALIFICATIONS FOR EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

#### Attributes:

1. A genuine love for teaching and a passion for education should shine through in the educator's work and interactions with students.
2. Ability to adapt their teaching methods to meet the diverse needs of their students and create a supportive and inclusive classroom environment.
3. Demonstrate creativity and innovation in their teaching methods to enhance the learning experience
4. A commitment to professional development and continuous improvement in their own knowledge and teaching methods
5. Strong communication skills, both with students and families, are vital for building positive relationships and fostering a collaborative learning environment.
6. Involvement in the community, school, or extracurricular activities that support the educational mission.
7. Services need not be confined to a single year, but have current significance.
8. Prior winners are ineligible.
9. This award will not be given posthumously.

### NOMINATION PROCEDURES

Please complete and attach form as the nomination cover page along with a separate sheet detailing the explanation of distinguished activities, based on attributes listed above, and why the nomination is being submitted. Supporting documentation **is required** to support your nomination to include:

- \* Educator/School
- \* Involvement in the community.
- \* 3 Letters of recommendation.
- \* Impact/contributions to students/community.
- \* Awards/honors received.
- \* Outstanding leadership, commitment and collaborative efforts.

Nominations without detailed information may not be considered.

If a candidate is not selected this year, the nomination will be automatically resubmitted for the next two years.

### EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR NOMINEE

Educator Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 School \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 # of Years as Educator \_\_\_\_\_

#### NOMINATOR (SUBMITTING NOMINATION):

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

#### Submit all items in one PDF to:

Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce, 18 South Main St., Rochester, NH 03867  
 Email: [president@rochesternh.org](mailto:president@rochesternh.org)

## SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION/ ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Scholarship(s) will be offered to a graduating high school student.
- Student must be employed by or have a parent employed by a Chamber member company for a minimum of six months to be eligible to apply.
- The applicant must be planning to attend a full-time college, university, technical, or trade school with the scholarship being made payable in the second year of enrollment.
- The applicant must attach a High School Transcript including grade point average (GPA).
- Applicant must attach a letter of recommendation.
- Application must be completed in full to be considered.
- Additional sheet with information may be attached.

## CRITERIA EVALUATION

<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Maximum Points Earned</u>
1. Involvement in School Activities	20
2. Involvement in Community Activities	25
3. Work Experience	25
4. Scholastic Achievement	20

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE:

**MARCH 28, 2025**

### *Student Information*

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### *Educational Information*

High School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: Official High School Transcript MUST be attached for consideration**

**Letter of Recommendation must also be attached.**

### *College Information*

College Major Being Pursued \_\_\_\_\_

College Attending \_\_\_\_\_

#### Estimated College Expenses

Tuition	\$ _____	Room & Board	\$ _____	Fees	\$ _____
Commuter Travel	\$ _____	Books & Supplies	\$ _____	<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ _____

### *Chamber Member Information*

Chamber Member Company Where Student/Parent is Employed \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Employee at Chamber Member Company \_\_\_\_\_

Employee's Relationship to Student \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the above applicant is an **employee** or **son/daughter** (circle one) of the employee

indicated above at \_\_\_\_\_ (Chamber member company)

Chamber Member Representative \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



***Career Plans (please indicate your plans after college) Attach separate sheet if necessary***


## ***School Activities***

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Role &amp; Responsibility</u>

## ***Community Activities***

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Role &amp; Responsibility</u>

## ***Work Experience***

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Role &amp; Responsibility</u>	<u>Hours/Week</u>

## ***Student/Parent Signature***

The signature below will attest to the accurateness of the information provided and grants permission to the Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce to make this information available to the Scholarship Committee.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Complete and Return to:

Scholarship Committee  
Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce  
18 South Main Street, Rochester, NH 03867  
Phone: (603) 332-5080 Fax: (603) 332-5216  
Email: [president@rochesternh.org](mailto:president@rochesternh.org)





## BE A GREATER ROCHESTER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SCHOLARSHIP CHAMPION FOR GRADUATING STUDENTS BY FUNDING THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce is pleased to offer its members the opportunity to be named a **Chamber Scholarship Champion**. Your donation will benefit the Scholarship Fund that enables the Chamber to provide scholarships to several graduating seniors who are employees of a Chamber member or the child of an employee of a Chamber member business or organization, to help toward their college, university, technical, or trade school expenses. See the funding levels provided below.

### **\$1,000+**

- Company/Organization logo prominently displayed on Chamber website
- Individual social media shout-out
- Company/Organization logo in Chamber newsletter
- Company/Organization name included in press release
- Company/Organization logo on E-blast
- Company/Organization thanked at Scholarship Ceremony
- Personal letter from your company/organization included with scholarship recipient's award letter

### **\$500**

- Company/Organization logo displayed on Chamber website
- Individual social media shout-out
- Company/Organization name in Chamber newsletter
- Company/Organization name included in press release
- Company/Organization logo on E-blast
- Company/Organization thanked at Scholarship Ceremony

### **\$100**

- Company/Organization logo displayed on Chamber website
- Social media shout-out
- Company/Organization name in Chamber newsletter
- Company/Organization name included in press release
- Company/Organization name on E-blast
- Company/Organization thanked at Scholarship Ceremony

☐ **YES, please sign up my business to become a Chamber Scholarship Champion!**

☐ \$1,000   ☐ \$500   ☐ \$100   ☐ Payment Enclosed   ☐ Invoice Me

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **RETURN FORM TO:**

**Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce**

18 South Main Street Rochester, NH 03867

Phone: 603-332-5080 / Fax: 603-332-5216 / Email: [memberservices@rochesternh.org](mailto:memberservices@rochesternh.org)

Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce presents...

# Classical Greece

November 9 – 19, 2025



**Upgrade to Elite Airfare!** See inside for details.

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## **SPECIAL TRAVEL PRESENTATION**

Date: Monday, March 31, 2025 Time: 6:00 PM

Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce

RSVP to Laura Ring: (603) 332-5080 [lring@rochesternh.org](mailto:lring@rochesternh.org)

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For more information contact

Melinda Nyberg

Horizon Travel Agency

**(603) 742-7664**

**[melinda.nyberg@gmail.com](mailto:melinda.nyberg@gmail.com)**





**11 Days • 16 Meals:** 9 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 6 Dinners

**HIGHLIGHTS...** Athens, The Acropolis and Parthenon, Metéora, Delphi, Olympia, Greek Farm Visit, Cooking Class, Greek Dance Class, Choice on Tour: Nafplio Walking Tour or Mycenae Archeological Tour

#### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Crowne Plaza Athens City Center, Athens
Day 4	Grand Hotel Meteora, Kalambaka
Day 5	Domotel Anemolia Resort & Conference, Arachova
Days 6, 7	Europa Hotel Olympia, Olympia
Days 8, 9	Nafplia Palace, Nafplio
Day 10	Crowne Plaza Athens City Center, Athens

*On some dates alternate hotels may be used.*

**Day 1: Sunday, November 9, 2025 Overnight Flight** Discover the beauty and timeless wonder found only in Greece. This fascinating tour of Greece begins with an overnight flight.

**Day 2: Monday, November 10, 2025 Athens, Greece** Arrive in Athens, cradle of Democracy and capital city of Greece. This evening, celebrate the beginning of your Greek experience with a delightful welcome dinner. (D)

**Day 3: Tuesday, November 11, 2025 Athens** Enjoy a panoramic tour of the highlights in Athens showcasing the city's ancient and glorious monuments, such as the Temple of Zeus, the Parliament, and the Olympic Stadium. Next, ascend the steep hill of the Acropolis. Greek for "highest city," the Acropolis was the religious center of ancient Athens and is crowned by the Parthenon, considered the pinnacle of classical Greek architecture. This evening, perhaps you'll choose to join an optional local food tour of Athens. (B)

**Day 4: Wednesday, November 12, 2025 Athens - Thermopylae - Kalambaka** Travel north through central Greece to Thermopylae. Stop to see a monument dedicated to Leonidas who died defending Greece against the Persians. End your day at a family-owned taverna and savor a delicious meal with recipes passed down from generations. (B, D)

**Day 5: Thursday, November 13, 2025 Kalambaka - Metéora - Arachova** This morning, visit Metéora and enjoy guided tours of two remote monasteries\* situated in a unique landscape of limestone rock "towers" that extend nearly 900 feet into the air. Over 600 years ago, Byzantine monks chose to build their monastic community perched atop these virtually inaccessible rocks. Continue on to charming Arachova, a popular ski resort town with breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and valleys. (B, D)

**Day 6: Friday, November 14, 2025 Arachova - Delphi - Olympia** This morning tour the ancient city of Delphi, one of Greece's most important religious centers during Classical times. A local expert guides you on a visit to the Sanctuary of Apollo, the Doric Temple, the ancient theatre, and the Delphi Museum with its priceless collection of ancient artifacts. It was here that the famous Oracle was consulted to foretell the destiny of mankind. Then travel along the Gulf of Corinth, crossing into the Peloponnese to the historic city of Olympia, a testament to the grandeur of ancient Greek civilization. Visit a local farm in the countryside and meet with the owners to learn about everyday life. Following the tour, enjoy a tasting of local wines, olive oil, homemade jams, marmalades, and sweets. (B, D)

**Day 7: Saturday, November 15, 2025 Olympia** This morning, enjoy a guided visit to ancient Olympia, including a tour of the sanctuary of Zeus, the Olympic Stadium – where the first Olympic Games were held in 776 B.C. – and the museum. Next, learn how to cook some of the region's best dishes as you partake in a Mediterranean cooking experience followed by a traditional Greek lunch. This evening, broaden your knowledge of traditional Greek musical instruments and folkloric dances at a delightful Greek dance class. (B, L, D)

**Day 8: Sunday, November 16, 2025 Olympia - Nafplio** Enjoy spectacular scenery as you cross the Arkadian Mountains en route to the picturesque seaside resort of Nafplio.\*\* En route, stop at a family-owned ouzo distillery producing Greece's signature anise-flavored aperitif since 1869. (B)

**Day 9: Monday, November 17, 2025 Nafplio** Today, **it's your choice!** Journey to ancient Mycenae, once ruled by mythological King Agamemnon, commander-in-chief of the Greeks during the Trojan War. Explore the excavations during a guided visit featuring the Beehive Tombs and the Lion Gate **-OR-** linger in Nafplio and join a walking tour of Greece's first



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capital city. Nafplio's mix of Venetian and Neo-classical architectural influences make it Greece's most elegant city. (B)

**Day 10: Tuesday, November 18, 2025 Nafplio - Athens** This morning, stop for a view of the Corinth Canal en route to Athens. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure in Greece's capital. Perhaps you'll browse the myriad shops of the Plaka, Athens' historic district nestled at the foot of the Acropolis. Or, visit one of the city's world-class museums such as the National

Archeological Museum with its majestic bronze statue of Poseidon or the Benaki Museum, which houses Greek works of art from prehistorical to modern times. Celebrate the end of a memorable trip to Greece by gathering with your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

**Day 11: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 Athens - Tour Ends**  
 Your tour ends today. (B)

### Experience It! Monasteries in Metéora

Atop towers of limestone rock that reach almost 900 feet in the air, the remote monasteries of Metéora seem like a direct line to the Divine. From early Christian times, Metéora's cliffs were heralded as the place to achieve peace and harmony, and thus, spiritual revelation, thanks to the isolation they provide. It's no surprise that the monasteries were erected here among the overwhelming rock formations and inspiring setting. These monasteries, and the monks who reside in them, are living out Byzantium history in their monastic communities built high on the vertical rocks and tucked away inside pristine natural beauty. Today, Christians from all over the world make their holy pilgrimage to these monasteries, and Metéora has become a preservation site for the 2,000 year-old Christian Orthodox creed.

**For more information visit <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1256674>**



**PLEASE NOTE:**

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**The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3.** This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (2-3 hours) isn't a big deal. A moderately paced two-and-a-half-hour walking tour, covering several miles, hills, and uneven surfaces, is no problem for you. Walking four miles over the course of a day is very doable as is climbing into and out of various modes of transportation. You can climb three flights of stairs easily. Expect leisurely mornings with some late nights balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. This level is not a fit for travelers who require mobility devices.

**Travel with a group size of an average of 37 travelers, up to a maximum of 44 travelers.**

In order to access the Acropolis archeological site, you will be required to climb about 50-60 steep uneven steps and walk over rugged terrain with loose stones and without railings. Accessing the monasteries in Meteora requires climbing approximately 135 steps.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

**\*\*For departures from mid February through March, hotel accommodations in Nafplio will be confirmed prior to departure at either Amphitryon Hotel or King Minos Hotel, located in the town of Tolo.**

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

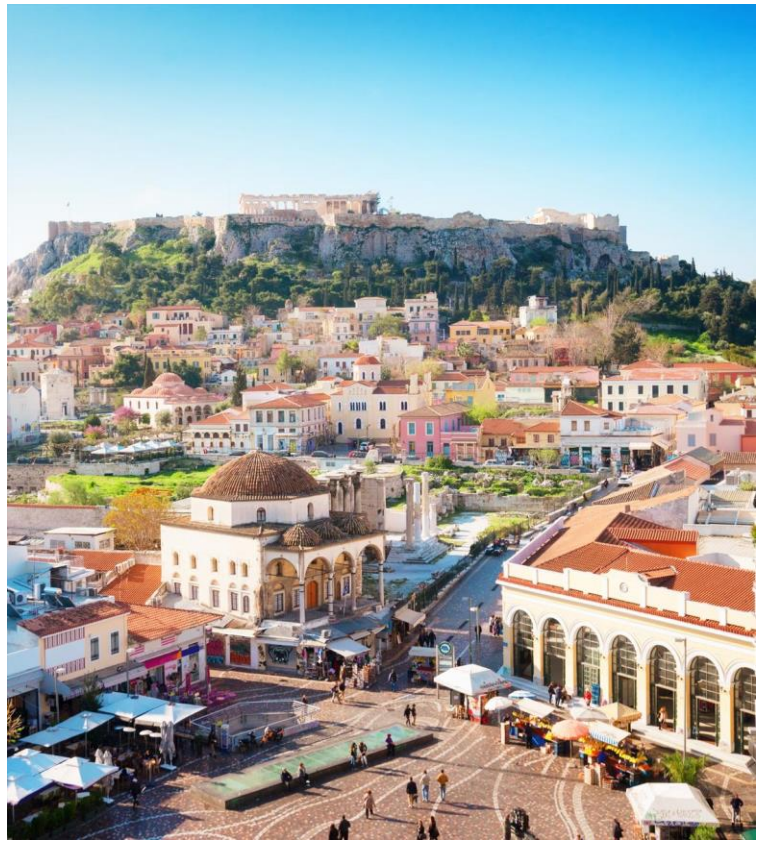
Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

**IDENTIFICATION**

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

**IMPORTANT:** We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

*Effective for travel in May 2025, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS visa waiver, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit <https://www.etiasvisa.com/>*



Due to a limited number of tickets for the Acropolis, travelers booking within 60 days of departure may be waitlisted until tickets can be confirmed.

\*In order to enter the monasteries in Meteora, all guests must have their shoulders covered. Women are highly encouraged to wear skirts or dresses that cover the knees, however, if you choose to wear pants, you will be given a scarf to tie around your waist. Men must wear long trousers.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

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### Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

*Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.*

Children under the age of 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

#### Athens



#### Athens Local Food Tour

**\$129 USD**

Experience Athens as a local! Join a local guide for a walking tour highlighting the cuisine of Athens. You'll make your way through three neighborhoods in the city, full of hidden gems that few travelers ever get to see. Be welcomed into several local restaurants, bakeries and markets to sample some of the area's best culinary specialties and wine. Your guide will explain the significance each dish serves to the culture and region. You'll learn about common grocery items found in the markets and the importance of spices used in Greek cooking. Along the way, view the traditional architecture and see historic artifacts from ancient Athens that were recently discovered. This option does not operate on national and religious holidays when most venues are closed. *Duration: Approximately 3.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

**PASSENGERS NAME:** (Please submit a separate form for each passenger)

Salutation: \_\_\_\_\_ First: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_ Suffix: \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Mr., Mrs., Rev.) (Please print **EXACTLY** as it appears on Passport) (Jr., Sr.)

✓	Option	Price Per Person (USD)
	Athens Local Food Tour <i>This option does not operate on national and religious holidays when most venues are closed.</i>	129.00

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**YOUR INFORMATION:** Clearly print your full name (first/middle/last) as it appears on your government issued travel documentation.

**IMPORTANT:** In order to avoid any unnecessary change fees, it is imperative that all guest names are entered correctly from the start. The information below must be the legal name and be 100% identical to the ID being used to travel <passport/driver's license> including middle names or suffixes <Jr, Sr>.

First: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_ Suffix: \_\_\_\_\_

Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: ( ) Male ( ) Female Date of Birth: month \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_ year \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Should you become ill or injured, whom should we contact (not traveling with you): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**ROOMING WITH:** ☐ Check if address is the same as Passenger #1

First: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_ Suffix: \_\_\_\_\_

**AIR GATEWAY:** Departure airport for this tour: \_\_\_\_\_

Air Seat Request: ( ) Aisle ( ) Window ( ) Next To Traveling Companion

Collette cannot guarantee your seat preference. If you have not purchased air through Collette and wish to purchase transfers, you must transfer at our pre-scheduled times.

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Service is limited and not available on all flights or carriers. Other restrictions may apply. Please note: if you purchase an upgrade, we cannot guarantee the same flight schedule as the group.

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Are you willing to separate from the group air schedule to accommodate your upgrade request? ( ) Yes ( ) No

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"prohibited items" web page: <http://www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/prohibited-items>."

**TRAVEL PROTECTION:** ( ) Yes, I wish to purchase travel protection \$549 ( ) No, I decline

If you choose not to purchase Collette's Waiver Insurance Plan, you will incur penalties for changes and cancellations. Travel Protection Payment is due with first deposit. The Waiver Fee does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. The single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. (There is coverage under Part B which includes a single supplement benefit of \$1,500 for certain covered reasons. See Part B for details.)

**ON TOUR ACTIVITIES: Please choose one of the following on tour activities**

( ) Nafplio Walking Tour

( ) Mycenae Archeological Tour

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:** Collette